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MUSEUMS and **ART GALLERIES**



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In Japan, there are more than 1,800 museums and art galleries and their numbers are increasing year by year.

The present leaflet, however, mainly introduces those found in and around such major tourist centers as Tokyo, Kyoto and Osaka, which are easily accessible to visitors. Regarding similar institutions in other districts, only those comparatively well favored by visitors from abroad have been listed.

Listed are art galleries, folk history museums, treasure houses and folk art museums. Major science museums and those of a unique nature are also introduced. These institutions are arranged geographically from north to south and are classified roughly by district and city according to their location.

Notes:

- I) Admission fees will be higher than indicated when special exhibitions are held, and may change.
- 2) The museums are closed temporarily during changes of exhibitions, and generally closed from Dec. 28 to Jan. 4.
- 3) "Hours:" shows opening hour and closing hour, but ticket windows are usually closed 30 minutes before closing time.
- 4) At most museums, identification labels for objects and pamphlets are written in Japanese.
- 5) Mon. (Tue)* = Closed on Monday however, when Monday falls on a national holiday, the museum is open and it is closed on the following Tuesday.

HOKKAĪDŌ

Goto Sumio Museum of Art (後藤純男美術館)

Address: Higashi 4-sen Kita 26-go, Kamifurano-cho, Sorachigun Tel. (0167)45-6181

Access: 5 min. by bus from Kamifurano Sta. to Bijutsukan-mae

Hours: 9:00–17:00, –16:00 (Nov.–Mar.) **Admission:** ¥1,000 Works of Japanese watercolorist Sumio Goto featured unchangeable nature in Japan.

Historical Museum of Hokkaido (北海道開拓記念館)

*Entire galleries are closed for restoration work through 2015 Address: 53-2 Atsubetsu-cho, Konopporo, Atsubetsu-ku, Sapporo Tel. (011)898-0456

Access: 60 min. by bus from Sapporo Sta. on JR or Subway, 5 min. by bus from JR Shinrinkoen Sta. or 10 min. by taxi from JR Shin-Sapporo Sta.

Hours: 9:30-16:30 Closed: Mon., Dec. 29-Jan. 3 & national holidays **Admission:** ¥500

Paleontological and biological specimens, archeological remains, implements and utensils used by the Ainu and immigrants, displays of process of colonization and industrialization of Hokkaido.

Kushiro Art Museum, Hokkaido (北海道立釧路芸術館) Address: 4-1-5 Saiwai-cho, Kushiro City Tel. (0154)23-2381 Access: 15-min. walk from JR Kushiro Sta. or 50 min. by bus from Kushiro Airport to Fisherman's Wharf Moo Bus Stop Hours: 9:30-17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 29-Jan. 3 Admission: ¥460

Collection is based on "image art", "nature and art" and "region and art".

TOHOKU

Munakata Shiko Memorial Museum of Art

(棟方志功記念館)

Address: 2-1-2 Matsubara, Aomori City, Aomori

Tel. (017)777-4567

Access: 15 min. by bus from JR Aomori Sta.

Hours: 9:30-17:00, 9:00- (Aug. 2-7) Closed: Mon. (except

Aug. 2-7) & Dec. 29-31 Admission: ¥500

Prints and paintings by Munakata Shiko (1903-75), Aomori's best-known artist.

Chusonji Temple Treasures (中尊寺讃衡蔵)

Address: 202 Koromonoseki, Hiraizumi, Hiraizumi-cho,

Nishiiwai-gun, Iwate Tel. (0191)46-2211

Access: 5 min. by bus from JR Hiraizumi Sta. to Chusonji Bus Stop or 30-min. walk from Hiraizumi Sta.

Hours: 8:30–17:00 (Mar. –Nov. 3), –16:30 (Nov. 4–Feb.) **Admission:** ¥800 for Konjikido (Golden Hall), Kyozo (Sutra

Repositony) & Sankozo Museum

A fine art collection of the late Heian Period, some 800 years ago. The collection includes Buddhist images, paintings and other cultural and historical relics of that period.

Homma Museum of Art (本間美術館)

Address: 7-7 Onari-cho, Sakata City, Yamagata

Tel. (0234)24-4311

Access: 5-min. walk from Sakata Sta. on JR Uetsu Honsen Line

Hours: 9:00–17:00 (Apr.–Oct.), –16:30 (Nov.–Mar.) Closed: Tue., Wed. (Dec.–Feb.) & late Dec.–early Jan.

Admission: ¥900

Japanese paintings, calligraphy, prints, swords and various articles associated with the local culture and folk arts. Many were the property of the Homma family, wealthy merchants in Sakata.

Sendai City Museum (仙台市博物館)

Address: 26 Kawauchi, Aoba-ku, Sendai City, Miyagi (Sannomaru-ato, Sendai Castle) Tel. (022)225-3074

Access: 10 min. by bus from Sendai Sta. to Hakubutsukan Kokusai Center-mae Bus Stop and 3-min. walk

Hours: 9:00–16:45 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue)*, Dec. 28–Jan. 4 & the day following national holidays **Admission:** ¥400

Samurai armor, swords, old costumes and other art objects, many of which were possessed by the Date family, the wellknown feudal lord of Sendai. Also on display are Japanese paintings, Ukiyo-e, and pottery in Edo Period.

Kurita Museum (栗田美術館)

Address: 1542 Komaba-cho, Ashikaga City, Tochigi

Tel. (0284)91-1026

Access: 10-min. walk from Tomita Sta. on JR Ryomo Line Hours: 9:30-17:00 (enter by 16:00) Closed: Mon. (Tue)* & Dec. 28-Jan. 2 **Admission:** ¥1,250

A large collection of Imari and Nabeshima porcelains.

Shoji Hamada Memorial Mashiko Sankokan

Museum(濱田庄司記念益子参考館)

Address: 3388 Mashiko, Mashiko-machi, Haga-gun, Tochigi

Tel. (0285)72-5300

Access: 5 min. by car from Mashiko Sta. on Moka Railway or 45 min. by bus from Utsunomiya Sta. on JR Tohoku Honsen Line **Hours:** 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon., Dec. 28–Jan. 4 & late Jan. – mid Feb. Admission: ¥800

Works of late Shoji Hamada and his collection (Eastern and Western ceramics, fabrics, furniture, paintings, etc.)

Museum of Kaisendo (蟹仙洞美術館)

Address: 4-6-8 Yarai, Kaminoyama City, Yamagata

Tel. (0236)72-0155

Access: 5-min. walk from Kaminoyama-Onsen Sta. East Exit on Yamagata Shinkansen

Hours: 9:00–17:00, –16:30 (Dec.–Feb.) **Closed:** Tue., Dec. 29-Jan. 5 & Tue., Wed. & Thu. (Dec.-Feb.)

Admission: ¥500

Collection of lacquer crafts and other art works is displayed, including many works from China. Some of them are such precious assets as Important Cultural Properties and art treasures.

TOKYO

Bridgestone Museum of Art (ブリヂストン美術館)

Address: I-10-1 Kyobashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3563-0241

Access: 5-min. walk from Tokyo Sta. (Yaesu Central Exit) Hours: 10:00-18:00, -20:00 (Fri) Closed: Mon. (that fall on

holidays will be open) & New Year holidays **Admission:** Different according to the exhibition

Western paintings, prints, sculpture, pottery and metal items,

and paintings by contemporary Japanese artists.

Edo-Tokyo Museum (江戸東京博物館) Address: 1-4-1 Yokoami, Sumida-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3626-9974

Access: 3-min. walk from Ryogoku Sta. West Exit on Sobu Line

or Toei Oedo Line

Hours: 9:30–17:30, –19:30 (Sat.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec.

28-Jan. I Admission: ¥600

This museum presents the culture and industrial development of the city (Tokyo) from just before Edo Period to the present day. Free earphone guides (English, Korean & Chinese) and English, German, French, Chinese, Korean and Spanish-speaking volunteer guides (reservation required) are available.

Fukagawa Edo Museum (深川江戸資料館)

Address: 1-3-28 Shirakawa, Koto-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3630-8625

Access: 3-min. walk from Kiyosumi Shirakawa Sta. A3 Exit on

Subway Toei Oedo Line and Hanzomon Line

Hours: 9:30-17:00 Closed: 2nd & 4th Mon. (Tue.)* & New

Year holidays **Admission:** ¥300

Reproduction of the 19th century riverside district (Fukagawa Saga-cho) in Edo, the original Tokyo.

The Gotoh Museum (五島美術館)

Address: 3-9-25 Kaminoge, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)5777-8600

Access: 5-min. walk from Kaminoge Sta. on Tokyu Oimachi

Line **Hours:** 10:00–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)*

Admission: ¥1,000

Fine arts and crafts of ancient Japan, China and other Asian nations.

Hatakeyama Memorial Museum of Fine Art

(畠山記念館)

Address: 2-20-12 Shirokanedai, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3447-5787

Access: 5-min. walk from Takanawadai Sta. A2 Exit on Subway Toei Asakusa Line

Hours: 10:00-17:00 (Apr.-Sep.), -16:30 (Oct.-Mar.)

Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & late Dec.—early Jan. Admission: ¥500 Fine arts and crafts of ancient Japan, Korea and China with many objects relating to the tea ceremony. A tea ceremony room found on the upper floor.

Idemitsu Museum of Arts (出光美術館)

Address: 9F Teigeki Bldg., 3-1-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo Tel. (03)5777-8600

Access: 3-min. walk from B3 Exit of Subway Yurakucho Sta. or Hibiya Sta. Hours: 10:00-17:00, -19:00 (Fri.) Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥1,000

Zenga, or Zen paintings, by Zen priest Sengai (1750-1837), Japanese ceramics, crafts and paintings, hand-painted Ukiyo-e and Chinese ceramics, crafts and bronzes.

The Japan Folk Crafts Museum (日本民藝館)

Address: 4-3-33 Komaba, Meguro-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3467-4527

Access: 5-min. walk from Komaba-Todaimae Sta. West Exit on

Keio Inokashira Line

Hours: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holi-

days **Admission:** ¥1,100

Folk art of Japan and Korea, and other parts of the world, mostly assembled by Yanagi Soetsu.

The Japanese Sword Museum (刀剣博物館)

Address: 4-25-10 Yoyogi, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3379-1386

Access: 10-min. walk from Sangubashi Sta. on Odakyu Line or

Hatsudai Sta. on Keio-shin Line

Hours: 10:00–16:30 Closed: Mon. (except national holidays)

Admission: ¥600

Works of noted swordsmiths, both ancient and modern.

Kite Museum (凧の博物館)

Address: 5F Taimeiken Bldg., I-12-10 Nihombashi, Chuo-ku,

Tokyo Tel. (03)3275-2704

Access: Short walk from Subway Nihombashi Sta. Hours: 11:00-17:00 Closed: Sun. & national holidays

Admission: ¥200

Kites collected from throughout Japan.

Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo (東京都現代美術館)

Address: 4-1-1 Miyoshi, Koto-ku, Tokyo Tel. (03)5245-4111

Access: 15-min. walk from Kiba Sta. No. 3 Exit on Subway Tozai Line, 15-min. walk from Kikukawa Sta. A4 Exit on Subway Toei Shinjuku Line or 15- min. walk from Kiyosumi Shirokawa

Sta. A3 Exit on Subway Toei Oedo Line

Hours: 10:00-18:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 28-Jan. I

Admission: ¥500

It is one of the largest modern art museums in Japan with permanent collection galleries, temporary exhibitions, and an art

Matsuoka Museum of Art(松岡美術館)

Address: 5-12-6 Shirokanedai, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)5449-0251

Access: 5-min. walk from Shirokanedai Sta. on Subway Namboku Line or Toei Mita Line or 15-min. walk from JR Meguro Sta. East Exit

Hours: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)*

Admission: ¥800

Oriental ceramics and Japanese paintings, and Egyptian, Greek, Roman and Indian sculptures.

Meiji-jingu Shrine Treasure Museum Homotsuden (明治神宮宝物殿)

Address: I-I Yoyogi Kamizono-cho, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo Tel. (03)3379-5511

Access: 15-min. walk from JR and Subway Yoyogi Sta. or 5-min. walk from Sangubashi Sta. on Odakyu Line

Hours: Mon. (Tue.)* 9:00–16:30 (Apr.–Oct.), -16:00 (Nov.–

Feb.) **Closed:** Mon.–Fri. (Jan., Apr.–Sep. & Dec.)

Admission: ¥500

Objects used by Emperor Meiji (1852-1912).

Mitsubishi Ichigokan Museum, Tokyo (三菱一号館美術館) Address: 2-6-2 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)5405-8686

Access: 5-min. walk from JR Tokyo Sta., Yurakucho Sta. or

Nijubashi-mae Sta. on Subway Chiyoda Line **Hours:** 10:00–18:00, –20:00 (Fri.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)*, New

Year holidays & maintenance periods **Admission:** Depends on exhibition

The museum has held three or four exhibitions from the end of the 19th century to 20th century modern art annually.

The National Art Center, Tokyo (国立新美術館)

Address: 7-22-2 Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)5777-8600

Access: 5-min. walk from Roppongi Sta. on Subway Hibiya Line or Toei Oedo Line, or short walk from Subway Nogizaka Sta. on Chiyoda Line

Hours: 10:00–18:00, –20:00 (Fri.) **Closed:** Tue. (Wed.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** Determined for each exhibition

The Center is the first national art institution without a permanent collection. The largest exhibition space in Japan houses a wide variety of exhibitions.

The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo &

Crafts Gallery (東京国立近代美術館/工芸館)

Address: Kitanomaru-koen, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo (in Kitanomaru Park) Tel. (03)5777-8600

Access: 5-min. walk from Takebashi Sta. Ib Exit on Subway

Tozai Line, then 10-min. walk to the Crafts Gallery **Hours:** 10:00–17:00, –20:00 (Fri., Museum only) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥430 (Museum), ¥210 (Crafts Gallery)

Museum: Japanese paintings, sculptures, prints, and calligraphy Crafts Gallery: Contemporary Japanese handicrafts

National Museum of Nature and Science (国立科学博物館) Address: 7-20 Ueno-koen, Taito-ku, Tokyo (in Ueno Park)

Address: 7-20 Ueno-koen, Taito-ku, Tokyo (in Ueno Park)
Tel. (03)5777-8600
Access: 5-min. walk from JR Ueno Sta., or 10-min. walk from

Ueno Sta. on Keisei Line, Subway Hibiya Line or Ginza Line **Hours:** 9:00–17:00, –20:00 (Fri.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 28–Jan. I **Admission:** ¥600

Exhibits in the fields of natural history and physical science and technology.

The National Museum of Western Art (国立西洋美術館) Address: 7-7 Ueno-koen, Taito-ku, Tokyo (in Ueno Park) Tel. (03)5777-8600

Access: Short walk from JR Ueno Sta., or 10-min. walk from Ueno Sta. on Keisei Line, Subway Hibiya Line or Ginza Line **Hours:** 9:30–17:00, –20:00 (Fri.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec.

28–Jan. I **Admission:** ¥430 Works of famous Western painters and sculptors, mostly French artists from the 19th century to the recent past.

Taro Okamoto Memorial Museum (岡本太郎記念館)

Address: 6-1-19 Minami-Aoyama, Minato-ku, Tokyo Tel. (03)3406-0801

Access: 10-min. walk from Omotesando Sta. on Subway Ginza, Chiyoda or Hanzomon Line

Hours: 10:00-18:00 **Closed:** Tue. (except for national holidays) & Dec. 28 – Jan. 4 **Admission:** ¥620

Taro Okamoto is famous for the "Tower of the Sun" of the Osaka World EXPO '70 and other huge monumental works.

Sumo Museum (相撲博物館)

Address: 1-3-28 Yokoami, Sumida-ku, Tokyo (in Kokugikan

IF) Tel. (03)3622-0366

Access: Short walk from Ryogoku Sta. West Exit in the Kokugikan Sumo Hall compound

Hours: 10:00–16:30 **Closed:** Sat., Sun., national holidays & several days for change of exhibitions **Admission:** Free (During tournaments, only those with Sumo tickets can get in) Records and documents concerning the history of Sumo since the 18th century.

Ukiyo-e Ota Memorial Museum of Art (太田記念美術館)

Address: 1-10-10 Jingumae, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3403-0880

Access: 5-min. walk from Meiji-Jingumae Sta. on Subway Chiyoda or Fukutoshin Line, or JR Harajuku Sta.

Hours: 10:30–17:30 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & few days at month-end **Admission:** ¥700

A large collection of Ukiyo-e woodblock prints collected by Seizo Ota.

Okura Museum of Art (大倉集古館)

*Renewal open on 2018

Address: 2-10-3 Toranomon, Minato-ku, Tokyo (in front of Hotel Okura Tokyo) Tel. (03)3583-0781

Access: 8-min. walk from Tameike-Sanno Sta. on Subway Ginza, Namboku Line or Kamiyacho Sta. on Subway Hibiya Line, or 5-min. walk from Roppongi Ichome Sta. on Subway Ginza Line

Fine arts and crafts of ancient Japan and other Asian countries.

Paper Museum (紙の博物館)

Address: I-I-3 Oji, Kita-ku, Tokyo Tel. (03)3916-2320

Access: 5-min. walk from Oji Sta. South Exit on Kehin Tohoku Line

Hours: 10:00–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)*, the day after national holidays & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥300 Various kinds of Japanese paper, products and utensils for the making of handmade paper.

Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography

(東京都写真美術館)

*Renewal open on Aug. 2016

Address: I-13-3 Mita, Meguro-ku, Tokyo (in Ebisu Garden Place) Tel. (03)3280-0099

Access: 8-min. walk from IR Ebisu Sta. East Exit

Science Museum (科学技術館)

Address: 2-1 Kitanomaru-koen, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo (in Kitanomaru Park) Tel. (03)3212-8544

Access: 5-min. walk from Takebashi Sta. on Subway Tozai Line or Kudanshita Sta. on Subway Tozai, Hanzomon or Toei Shinjuku Line **Hours:** 9:30–16:50 (enter by 16:00) **Closed:** Wed. (Thu.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥720 The latest in machinery.

Suntory Museum of Art (サントリー美術館)

Address: 9-7-4 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo (Tokyo Midtown Garden Side) Tel. (03)3479-8600

Access: Direct connection from Roppongi Sta. on Toei Oedo Line and Hibiya Line or 3-min. walk from Nogizaka Sta. on Chiyoda Line

Hours: 10:00–18:00, –20:00 (Fri. & Sat.) **Closed:** Tue.(Wed.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥1,300

With the theme of "Art in Life", this museum doesn't have a permanent exhibition and will feature Japanese art.

Tokyo Metropolitan Teien Art Museum (東京都庭園美術館)

Address: 5-21-9 Shirokanedai, Minato-ku, Tokyo Tel. (03)3443-0201

Access: 7-min. walk from JR or Tokyu Meguro Sta. East Exit Former residence of the late Prince Asaka. The interior of the building is a masterpiece of the Art-Deco style.

Tokyo National Museum (東京国立博物館)

Address: 13-9 Ueno-koen, Taito-ku, Tokyo (in Ueno Park)

Tel. (03)5405-8686

Access: 10-min. walk from JR Ueno Sta., or 10-min. walk from Ueno Sta. on Keisei Line, Subway Hibiya Line or Ginza Line **Hours:** 9:30–17:00 (except during special exhibition) **Closed:**

Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥620

The largest museum in Japan. Fine arts and archaeology of Japan including many that are designated as National Treasures or Important Cultural Properties. Also collections of Chinese, Korean and Indian art and archaeology.

Hara Museum of Contemporary Art (原美術館)

Address: 4-7-25 Kita-Shinagawa, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3445-0651

Access: 15-min. walk from Shinagawa Sta. Takanawa Exit **Hours:** 11:00–17:00, -20:00 (Wed.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue)* &

New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥1,100

Collection of paintings and sculptures from 1950 to the present by leading artists of the United States, Europe and Japan.

Yamatane Museum of Art (山種美術館)

Address: 3-12-36 Hiroo, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo

Tel: (03)5777-8600

Access: 10-min. walk from JR Ebisu Sta. West Exit or Ebisu Sta.

Exit 2 on the Tokyo Metro Hibiya Line

Hours: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holi-

days Admission: ¥1,000

Modern, post-19th century (Meiji period) Japanese paintings.

Museum of Byobu (屏風博物館)

Address: 1-31-6 Mukojima, Sumida-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3622-4470

Access: I-min. walk from Tokyo Skytree Sta. on Tobu Tokyo

Skytree Line

Hours: 10:00-18:00 Closed: Sun. Admission: Free

The city of Sumida has 27 "small museums," where individuals and corporations exhibit rare industrial products, materials and technical expertise which have helped in the cultural building of the city. This Museum is one of these mini museums and is a showroom for the Kataoka Byobu workshop. Byobu is a traditional Japanese folding screen. Tools and items for the manufacturing process are explained in an easy-to-understand manner. Folding screens produced in the workshop are on display and are for sale.

Edo-Tokyo Open-Air Architectural Museum

(江戸東京たてもの園)

Address: 3-7-1 Sakura-cho, Koganei City, Tokyo (in Koganei

Park) Tel. (042)388-3300

Access: 5 min. by bus from Musashi-Koganei Sta. to Edo Tokyo

Tatemono-en Bus Stop, then 3-min. walk

Hours: 9:30-17:30, -16:30 (Oct.-Mar.) Closed: Mon. (Tue)*

& Dec. 28–Jan. 4 **Admission:** ¥400

In 7 ha. of the Koganei Park, structures inheriting the history and culture of Edo-Tokyo structures have been famous for its portal and reconstructed.

National Showa Memorial Museum (昭和館)

Address: I-6-I Kudan-Minami, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Tel. (03)3222-2577

Access: I-min. walk from Kudanshita Sta. on Subway Tozai

Line, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Line

Hours: 10:00-17:30 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 28-Jan. 4

Admission: ¥300

This museum collects, stores and exhibits historical documents and information about the difficulties experienced by families of the war dead during and after World War $\rm II$.

National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation-

Miraikan (日本科学未来館)

Address: 2-3-6 Aomi, Koto-ku, Tokyo Tel. (03)3570-9151

Access: 5-min. walk from Fune-no-Kagakukan Sta. or Telecom Center Sta. on Yurikamome Monorail

Hours: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Tue. (except national holidays),

Dec. 28–Jan. I & several days for maintenance

Admission: ¥620

Visitors can experience the latest developments in science and technology by hands-on exhibits, participating in various events, and meeting scientists and technicians.

Meguro Parasitological Museum (目黒寄生虫館)

Address: 4-1-1 Shimomeguro, Meguro-ku, Tokyo

Tel: (03)3716-1264

Access: 15-min. walk from the West Exit of Meguro Sta. on JR,

Subway or Tokyu Meguro Line

Hours: 10:00–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** Free (Donations are graciously accepted) Showcases a variety of parasites and reveals the marvels of parasite ecology. It is the only museum in the world that specializes in parasites.

Nezu Museum (根津美術館)

Address: 6-5-1 Minami-Aoyama, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Tel: (03)3400-2536

Access: 10-min. walk from Subway Omotesando Sta.

Hours: 10:00–17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holi-

days **Admission:** ¥1,000, ¥1,200 for special exhibitions

Designed by Kengo KUMA, the museum has an excellent collection of Japanese & Oriental arts.

Mori Art Museum (森美術館)

Address: 53F Roppongi Hills Mori Tower, 6-10-1 Roppongi,

Minato-ku, Tokyo Tel: (03)5777-8600

Access: Direct connection from Roppongi Hills Exit of Roppongi Sta. on the Tokyo Metro Hibiya Line or 5-min. walk

from Roppongi Sta. on the Toei Oedo Line

Hours: 10:00–22:00, –17:00 (Tue.) Admission: ¥1,500

The museum, situated at the top of Mori Tower, offers original exhibitions throughout the year.

Mitsui Memorial Museum (三井記念美術館)

Address: 7F Mitsui Main Bldg., Nihombashi Muromachi 2-1-1 Chuo-ku, Tokyo Tel: (03)5777-8600

Access: I-min walk from Mitsukoshimae Sta. A7 Exit on Subway Ginza Line

Hours: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)*

Admission: ¥1,000

A superb collection of Japanese and Asian art, most of which has been acquired by the Mitsui families, whose companies have played an important part in the Japanese economy.

Ghibli Museum, Mitaka (三鷹の森ジブリ美術館)

Address: I-I-83 Shimo-renjaku, Mitaka City, Tokyo

Tel. (0570)055-777

Access: 15-min. walk from Mitaka Sta. South Exit on JR Chuo Line

Hours:10:00–18:00 **Closed:** Tue. (Wed.)*, New Year holidays & maintenance periods **Admission:** ¥1,000

Entrance to the museum is strictly by advance purchase of a reserved ticket which specifies the appointed date and time of the reservation. Reserved tickets can be purchased only at LAWSON convenience stores. Reservation tickets are available in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Korea, North America, Europe and Australia from designated local travel agencies of each country. URL: http://www.ghibli-museum.jp/

This museum was created by Hayao Miyazaki, master of Japanese animation. Visitors are welcomed by Totoro and other characters from his animation films. A must-visit for his fans.

VICINITY OF TOKYO

Cupnoodles Museum (カップヌードルミュージアム)

Address: 2-3-4 Shinko, Naka-ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa Tel.(045)345-0918

Access: 10-min. walk from Minatomirai Sta. or Bashamichi Sta. on Minatomirai Line

Hours: 10:00–18:00 (enter by 17:00) **Closed:** Tue. (Wed.)* & New Year holidays

Admission: ¥500, ¥500 (Chicken Ramen Factory)

Exhibits more than 3,000 product package of Instant Noodles, and you can create your own Cupnoodles.

Japan Open-air Folk House Museum (日本民家園)

Address: 7-1-1 Masugata, Tama-ku, Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Tel. (044)922-2181

Access: 15-min. walk from Mukogaoka-yuen Sta. on Odakyu Line **Hours:** 9:30–16:30 (Nov.–Feb.), –17:00 (Mar.–Oct.) Closed: Mon. (Tue.),* the day following national holidays &

New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥500

Outdoor museum featuring old and rare Japanese farmhouses.

HARA Model Railway Museum (原鉄道模型博物館)

Address: 2F Yokohama Mitsui Bldg., I-I-2 Takashima, Nishiku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa Tel. (045)640-6699

Access: Short walk from JR Yokohama Sta. or Shin-Takashima

Sta. on Minatomirai Line Hours: 11:00-18:00 Closed: Tue. (Wed.)* Admission: ¥1,000

Collection of model railway from steam locomotives to electric locomotives mainly from Japan, Europe and United States.

Silk Museum (シルク博物館)

Access: 2F Silk Center Bldg., I Yamashita-cho, Naka-ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa Tel. (045)641-0841

Access: 15-min. walk from Kannai Sta. or Sakuragicho Sta. on JR or Yokohama-Shiei Subway, or 3-min. walk from Nihon-Odori Sta. on Minatomirai Line

Hours: 9:00-16:30 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 28-Jan. 4 Admission: ¥500

Various kinds of silk goods and educational materials relating to

Kanagawa Prefectural Kanazawa-Bunko Museum (神奈川県立金沢文庫)

Address: 142 Kanazawa-cho, Kanazawa-ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa Tel. (045)701-9069

Access: 10-min. walk from Kanazawa-Bunko Sta. on Keihin-Kyuko Line

Hours: 9:00-16:30 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)*, Dec. 29-Jan. 3 & the day following national holiday Admission: ¥250

Sculpture, paintings, calligraphy, historical documents and a large library of Chinese and Japanese classics. This Kanazawa Bunko was founded about 1275 by the Hojo family.

Kamakura Museum of National Treasures (鎌倉国宝館) Address: 2-1-1 Yukinoshita, Kamakura City, Kanagawa (in the precincts of Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine) Tel. (0467)22-0753 Access: 15-min. walk from Kamakura Sta. on Yokosuka Line or

Enoden Line Hours: 9:00-16:30 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)*, late Dec.-early Jan. & several days for change of exhibitions

Admission: Depends on exhibition

Paintings, sculpture and other art objects of the 12th-16th centuries.

The Museum of Modern Art, Kamakura

(神奈川県立近代美術館)

Address: 2-1-53 Yukinoshita, Kamakura City, Kanagawa (in the precincts of Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine) Tel. (0467)22-5000 Access: 10-min. walk from Kamakura Sta. on JR or Enoden Line **Hours:** 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holdays **Admission:** Depends on exhibition

Japanese and foreign art: paintings, sculpture and prints from the

19th century to the present.

Yokohama Museum of Art (横浜美術館)

Address: 3-4-1 Minatomirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa Tel: (045)221-0300

Access: 5-min. walk from Minatomirai Sta. Exit 3 on the Minatomirai Line

Hours: 10:00-18:00 Closed: Thu. (Fri.)* **Admission:** Depends on exhibition

The interesting exhibit themes always attract visitors. An impressive selection of works is also on display in the photography galleries.

Art Tower Mito (水戸芸術館)

Address: 1-6-8 Goken-machi, Mito City, Ibaraki

Tel. (029)227-8111

Access: 10 min. by bus from Mito Sta. on Joban Line to Izumimachi I-chome Bus Stop, then 2-min. walk

Hours: 9:30-18:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays Admission: ¥800

Contemporary art gallery that specializes in planning exhibitions of modern art, actively taking up modern arts expressed by contemporary artists.

The Railway Museum (鉄道博物館)

Address: 3-47 Onari-cho, Omiya-ku, Saitama City, Saitama Tel: (048)651-0088

Access: Take the Saitama Shin-toshin Kotsu New Shuttle from JR Omiya Sta. and get off at Tetsudo Hakubutsukan (Onari) Sta.

Hours: 10:00–18:00 Closed: Tue. & New Year holidays

Admission: ¥1,000

One of the most interesting exhibits in the museum is the History Zone on the 1st floor, where various types of carriages are on display, allowing visitors to observe the evolution of carriage design since the dawn of railways in Japan.

The Museum of Modern Art, Saitama (埼玉県立近代美術館) Address: 9-30-1 Tokiwa, Urawa-ku, Saitama City, Saitama (in Kita-Urawa Park) Tel. (048)824-0111

Access: 5-min. walk from Kitaurawa Sta. West Exit on Keihin Tohoku Line Hours: 10:00-17:30 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays Admission: ¥200

The building has a simple rectangular appearance. Exhibited works are mainly from Saitama Prefecture, but there are other works not only from Japan but also from other countries.

Hoki Museum (ホキ美術館)

Address: 3-15 Asumigaoka-Higashi, Midori-ku, Chiba City, Chiba Tel. (043)205-1500

Access: 20-min walk or 5-min. bus ride from JR Shiki Sta. (60 min. from Tokyo Sta.) Hours: 10:00-17:30

Closed: Tue. (Wed.)* Admission: ¥1,800

Japan's first museum dedicated to realist painting collected by Masao Hoki, and about 300 works are exhibit.

National Museum of Japanese History

(国立歴史民俗博物館)

Address: 117 Jonai-cho, Sakura City, Chiba

Tel. (043)486-0123

Access: 15 min. by bus from Sakura Sta. on JR Sobu Line to Kokuritsu Hakubutsukan-iriguchi or Kokuritsu Rekishi Minzoku Hakubutsukan Bus Stop

Hours: 9:30–17:00 (Mar.–Sep.), –16:30 (Oct.–Feb.)

Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 27–Jan. 4 Admission: ¥420

This museum supports systematic research, collection, preservation and exhibition of Japanese history and culture. Exhibitions are picked up from the course of Japanese history and culture, and are arranged on the base of specific themes for each period with an emphasis on the daily lives of the Japanese.

Itchiku Kubota Art Museum (久保田一竹美術館)

Address: 2255 Kawaguchi, Kawaguchiko-machi, Minamitsurugun, Yamanashi Tel. (0555)76-8811

Access: 10 min. by car or 25 min. by bus from Kawaguchiko

Sta. on Fujikyu Kawaguchiko Line

Hours: 10:00–16:30 (Dec.–Mar.), 9:30–17:30 (Apr.–Nov.) **Closed:** Wed. (Dec.–Mar.) & Dec. 26–28 **Admission:** ¥1,300 The museum exhibits collection of "Tsujigahana-dying", which is a pattern style in the Muromachi period.

HAKONE

The Hakone Open-Air Museum (彫刻の森美術館)

Address: 1121 Ninotaira, Hakone-machi, Kanagawa

Tel. (0460)82-1161

Access: Short walk from Chokoku-no-mori Sta. on Hakone-Tozan Railway

Hours: 9:00-17:00 Admission: ¥1,600

A collection of late 19th and 20th century sculpture by Western and Japanese artists. Public Art & Open-air Exhibition make visitors join playing with arts.

Hakone Museum of Art (箱根美術館)

Address: 1300 Gora, Hakone-machi, Ashigarashimo-gun, Kanagawa Tel. (0460)82-2623

Access: Short walk from Koen-kami Cable Car Stop. Cable car

leaves from Gora Sta. on Hakone-Tozan Railway. **Hours:** 9:30–16:30 (Apr.–Nov.), –16:00 (Dec.–Mar.) **Closed:** Thu. (except national holidays) & late Dec.—early Jan. **Admission:** ¥900

A collection of pottery and porcelain from Japan. Bamboo and moss garden in the museum grounds.

Narukawa Art Museum(成川美術館)

Address: 570 Moto-hakone, Hakone-machi, Ashigarashimogun, Kanagawa Tel. (0460)83-6828

Access: 40 min. by bus from JR Hakone-yumoto Sta. to Moto-hakone-ko Bus Stop

Hours: 9:00–17:00 **Admission:** ¥1,200

Commanding a panoramic view of Lake Ashi and Mt. Fuji, Narukawa Art Museum is a unique museum showing only modern Japanese-style paintings. More than 4,000 paintings are displayed.

ATAMI

MOA Museum of Art (MOA美術館)

Address: 26-2 Momoyama-cho, Atami City, Shizuoka

Tel. (0557)84-2511

Access: 10 min. by bus or 5 min. by taxi from JR Atami Sta.

Hours: 9:30–16:30 **Closed:** Thu. (except national holidays), & Dec. 25–Jan. 10 (except Jan.1–3) **Admission:** ¥1,600 Collection of Japanese and Chinese art objects belonging to Mokichi Okada.

CHUBU & HOKURIKU

The Utsukushigahara Open-Air Museum (美ケ原高原美術館) Address: Utsukushigahara-Kogen, Takeshikamihoniri, Ueda City, Nagano Tel. (0268)86-233 I

Access: I hr. 20 min. by bus from JR Matsumoto Sta. or I hr. by bus from JR Ueda Sta. **Hours:** 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** mid Nov.—mid Apr. **Admission:** ¥1,000

Collection of contemporary sculpture. Lots of world-wide events are held. Visitors can feel arts by touching and exercising.

Nagano Prefectural Shinano Art Museum Higashiyama Kaii Gallery (長野県立信濃美術館·東山魁夷館)

Address: 1-4-4 Hakoshimizu, Nagano City, Nagano (East of Zenkoji Temple) Tel. (026)232-0052

Access: 10 min. by bus for Zenkoji-kita Bus Stop from JR Nagano Sta. then walk 2 min.

Hours: 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** Wed. (Thu*) & Dec. 28–Jan. I

Admission: ¥500
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Museum of Sake (酒の博物館)

Address: 2811 Omachi Onsenkyo, Omachi City, Nagano Tel. (0261)22-1942

Access: 15 min. by bus for Ogisawa from Shinano Omachi Sta. on Oito Line

Hours: 9:00–18:00 (Apr. 25–Oct. 31), –17:00 (Nov. 1–Apr. 24) **Admission:** ¥400

More than 500 traditional tools for making sake and 1500 bottles of sake are displayed. There is also a tasting room.

International Design Center Nagoya (国際デザインセンター) Address: 4F Nadia Park Design Center Bldg., 3-18-1 Sakae, Naka-ku, Nagoya City, Aichi Tel. (052)265-2106

Access: 5-min. walk from Sakae Sta. on Subway Higashiyama

Line, or Yabacho Sta. on Meijo Line

Hours: 11:00–20:00 Closed: Tue. & New Year holidays

Admission: Depends on exhibition

International Design Center, aiming to be a stimulation for new design, holds a permanent exhibition as part of its activities. Along with various completed design works as furniture or tableware, it also shows works in making sources of ideas and the histories.

The Tokugawa Art Museum(徳川美術館)

Address: 1017 Tokugawa-cho, Higashi-ku, Nagoya City, Aichi Tel. (052)935-6262

Access: 20 min. by bus from Nagoya Sta. Exit 9 to Tokugawaen Shindeki Bus Stop, then short walk

Hours: 10:00–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & mid Dec.—early lan. **Admission:** ¥1,200

This museum was established in 1935. Heirloom objects of the Tokugawa family, so-called "daimyo dogu" are displayed as they were. The collection counts more than 10,000 objects. Main gallery holds monthly planned exhibitions.

The Museum Meiji-mura (博物館明治村)

Address: I Uchiyama, Inuyama City, Aichi Tel. (0568)67-0314 Access: 20 min. by bus from Inuyama Sta. on Meitetsu Inuyama Line Hours: 9:30–17:00 (Mar.–Oct.), -16:00 (Nov.), 10:00–16:00 (Dec.–Feb.) Closed: Mon. (Dec.–Feb. except national holidays) & Dec. 31 Admission: ¥1,700

About 70 buildings of the Meiji and Taisho Period (1868–1926) in a large landscaped park.

Ninja Museum of Igaryu (伊賀流忍者博物館)

Address: 117 Ueno-Marunouchi, Iga City, Mie

Tel. (0595)23-0311

Access: 10-min. walk from Ueno-shi Sta. on Iga Railway

Hours: 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** Dec. 29–Jan.1 **Admission:** ¥756 Over 400 Ninja tools are exhibited, and you can also enjoy Ninja Show using those tools.

The Suiboku Museum, Toyama (富山県水墨美術館) Address: 777 Gofuku, Toyama City, Toyama Tel: (076)431-3719 **Access:** 10-min. walk from Shin-Toyama streetcar stop (which is a 10-min. ride from JR Toyama Sta.)

Hours: 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & late Dec.—early Jan. **Admission:** ¥200

An ideal place to discover the beauty of Japanese traditional art and culture, the museum specializes in a genre of Japanese Suiboku painting (ink and wash painting).

21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa (金沢21世紀美術館)

Address: 1-2-1 Hirosaka, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa

Tel: (076)220-2800

Access: 5-min. walk from Korinbo (Atorio-mae) Bus Stop

(which is a 10-min. bus ride from JR Kanazawa Sta.)

Hours: 10:00–18:00, –20:00 (Fri. & Sat.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥360 for collection exhibition

Seisonkaku (成巽閣)

Address: I-2 Kenrokumachi, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa (in Kenrokuen Park) Tel. (076)221-0580

Access: 15 min. by bus to Dewamachi Bus Stop from JR Kanazawa Sta. **Hours:** 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** Wed. (Thu.)* & Dec. 29–Jan. 2 **Admission:** ¥700

A collection of objects belonging to the Maeda family, the feudal lord of the region, displayed in a large Japanese-style house built in 1863. The name of this castle comes from "tatsumi" located at south-east of Kanazawa-castle.

KYOTO & VICINITY

Chado Research Center Galleries (茶道資料館)

Address: 682 Horikawa-Teranouchi-agaru, Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto City (in Urasenke Center) Tel. (075)431-6474

Access: Short walk from Horikawa-Teranouchi Bus Stop Hours: 9:30–16:30 Closed: Mon. & New Year holidays Admission: ¥700

Tea ceremony utensils are exhibited.

Chishakuin Temple Storehouse (智積院収蔵庫)

Address: 964 Higashi-kawaramachi, Higashi-oji, Nanajo-sagaru, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto City Tel. (075)541-5361

Access: 10-min walk from Shichijo Sta. on Keihan Line Hours: 9:00–16:00 Closed: Dec. 29–31 Admission: ¥500 Japanese paintings on walls and screens of the Momoyama Period (1573–1615). Its Japanese garden is one of the best gardens in Kyoto.

Kyoto International Manga Museum

(京都国際マンガミュージアム)

Address: Karasuma-Oike-agaru, Nakagyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel: (075)254-7414

Access: Short walk from Karasuma-Oike Sta. on the Karasuma

and Tozai Subway Lines **Hours:** 10:00–18:00 **Closed:** Wed. (Thr.)*, New Year holidays & maintenance periods **Admission:** ¥800

Manga book library and exhibitions on manga culture. A permanent exhibition of about 50,000 manga books can be read in the museum and on the premises.

Kawai Kanjiro's House (河井寬次郎記念館)

Address: 569 Kanei-cho, Gojozaka, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto City Tel. (075)561-3585

Access: Short walk from Umamachi Bus Stop, or 10-min walk from Kiyomizu-Gojo Sta. on Keihan Line

Hours: 10:00–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)*, late Dec.—early Jan. & Aug. 11–20 **Admission:** ¥900

Works of the famous potter, Kawai Kanjiro (1890–1966), the folkcraft objects used in his traditionally-styled Japanese house. His workroom and two kilns are preserved.

Kyoto Municipal Museum of Art (京都市美術館)

Address: 124 Enshoji-cho, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto (in Okazaki Park) Tel. (075)771-4107

Access: In front of Okazaki-koen Bijutsukan Heianjingu-mae Bus Stop **Hours:** 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (except national holidays) & Dec. 28–Jan. 2 **Admission:** Depends on exhibition Works of modern Japanese artists. Predominantly Japanese paintings of the Kyoto School.

Kyoto Museum of Traditional Crafts Fureaikan

(京都伝統産業ふれあい館)

Address: B1F Miyakomesse, 9-1 Seishoji-cho, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel. (075)762-2670

Access: Short walk from Okazaki-koen Bijutsukan Heianjingumae Bus Stop

Hours: 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** Dec. 29–Jan. 3 & Aug. 19–20 Kyoto's traditional crafts such as Nishijin textiles, Yuzen products, bamboo crafts and dancing fans are exhibited.

Kyoto National Museum (京都国立博物館)

Address: 527 Chaya-cho, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto City (near Sanjusangendo Hall) Tel. (075)541-1151

Access: In front of Hakubutsukan-Sanjusangendo-mae Bus Stop or 10-min walk from Shichijo Sta. on Keihan Line

Hours: 9:30–18:00, –20:00 (Fri.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & maintenance period **Admission:** Varies for special exhibitions

The Museum of Kyoto (京都文化博物館)

Address: Sanjo-Takakura, Nakagyo-ku, Kyoto City

Tel. (075)222-0888

Access: 5-min. walk from Karasuma-Oike Sta. Exit 5 on Subway Karasuma Line

Hours: 10:00–19:30 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥500

Kyoto Prefecture's cultural properties are exhibited.

The National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto (京都国立近代美術館)

(京都国立近代美術館)

Address: Okazaki Enshoji-cho, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel. (075)761-4111

Access: In front of Okazaki-koen Bijutsukan Heianjingu-mae Bus Stop **Hours:** 9:30–17:00, –20:00 (Fri. during special exhibitions) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays

Admission: ¥430 for collection exhibition
Contemporary arts of Japan and other countries.

Raku Museum (楽美術館)

Address: 84 Aburanokoji, Nakadachiuri-agaru, Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel. (075)414-0304

Access: 5-min. walk from Horikawa Nakatachiuri Bus Stop or Ichijo-modoribashi Bus Stop

Hours: 10:00–16:30 **Closed:** Mon. (except national holidays) **Admission:** Depends on exhibition

Collection of ceramic arts handed down through the Raku family and implements related to the tea ceremony.

Sen-Oku Hakuko Kan (Sumitomo Collection) (泉屋博古館)

Address: 24 Shimo-Miyanomae-cho, Shishigatani, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel. (075)771-6411

Access: Short walk from Higashi Tenno-cho Bus Stop or Miyanomae-cho Bus Stop

Hours: 10:30–17:00 (Mar.–Jun. & Sep.–Nov.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* **Admission:** ¥730 Mainly Chinese fine arts.

Toji Temple Treasure House (東寺宝物館)

Address: I Kujo-cho, Minami-ku, Kyoto (on the grounds of Toji Temple) Tel. (075)691-3325

Access: 15-min. walk from Hachijoguchi Exit of Kyoto Sta. or 10-min. walk from Kintetsu Toji Sta.

Hours: 8:30–17:30 (Apr. 25 –May. 25), –16:30 (Sep. 20 –Nov. 25) **Closed:** Nov. 26 –Apr. 24 & May. 26 –Sep. 19

Admission: ¥500

Buddhist statues, paintings, sutras and other objects belonging to the temple.

Miho Museum (ミホミュージアム)

Address: 300 Momodani, Shigaraki-cho, Koga City, Shiga

Tel. (0748)82-3411

Access: 20 min. by taxi from Shigaraki Sta. on Shigaraki-Kogen

Tetsudo, or 40 min. by taxi from Ishiyama Sta. or Kusatsu Sta. on Tokaido Line

Hours: 10:00–17:00 (enter by 16:00) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & mid Dec.-mid Mar. **Admission:** ¥1,100

This museum is built so as to melt into the mountains of Shigaraki. To preserve its environment, more than 80% of the building is underground. And the exhibits are as impressive as the architecture. Works on display are selected from a collection more than 2,000, and include pieces of from the Nara and Heian periods (8th–12th centuries).

NARA & VICINITY

Horyuji Daihozoin Gallery of Temple Treasures (法隆寺大宝蔵院)

Address: I-I Horyuji-sannai, Ikaruga-cho, Ikoma-gun, Nara (on the grounds of Horyuji Temple) Tel. (0745)75-2555

Access: 20-min. walk from Horyuji Sta. on Kansai Line

Hours: 8:00–17:00, –16:30 (Nov. 4–Feb. 21)

Admission: ¥1,000

Buddhist statues, shrines and other works of Buddhist art belonging to Horyuji Temple.

Kofukuji National Treasure Museum (興福寺国宝館) Address: 48 Noborioji-cho, Nara City (on the grounds of the

Kofukuji Temple) Tel. (0742)22-7755

Access: 7-min. walk from Kintetsu Nara Sta. **Hours:** 9:00–17:00 **Admission:** ¥600

Buddhist statues, which are National Treasures, and sculptures of the Nara (710–784) and Kamakura Periods (around 1192–1333).

Irie Taikichi Memorial Museum of Photography

Nara City (入江泰吉記念奈良市写真美術館)

Address: 600-1 Takabatake-cho, Nara City

Tel. (0742)22-9811

Access: 6 min. by bus to Wariishi-cho Bus Stop from Nara Sta., then walk 10 min.

Hours: 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon., the day following a national holidays & Dec. 27–Jan. 3 **Admission:** ¥500

This museum mainly exhibits Taikichi Irie's (1905-1992) work.

Nara National Museum (奈良国立博物館)

Address: 50 Noborioji-cho, Nara City Tel. (050)5542-8600

Access: 15-min. walk from Kintetsu Nara Sta.

Hours: 9:30–17:00, –19:00 (Fri. of the last week of Apr.–the last week of Oct.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥520

The best Buddhist arts in Japan, in the possession of temples in the Nara area. Special Exhibition of Shosoin Repository is held between late Oct. and early Nov. Nara Prefectural Museum of Art (奈良県立美術館)

Address: 10-6 Noborioji-cho, Nara City Tel. (0742)23-3968

Access: 5-min. walk from Kintetsu Nara Sta.

Hours: 9:00–17:00, –19:00 (Fri. & Sat. during special exhibition) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 28–Jan. 4 **Admission:** ¥400 Old Japanese paintings, textiles, and contemporary arts of Japan and other countries.

Neiraku Museum (寧楽美術館)

Address: 74 Suimon-cho, Nara City (in Isui-en Garden)

Tel. (0742)25-0781

Access: 15-min. walk from Kintetsu Nara Sta.

Hours: 9:30-16:30 Closed: Tue. & New Year holidays

Admission: ¥650

Ancient Chinese bronzes, 10th–12th century Korean celadon, and a number of important Japanese art objects.

Toshodaiji Temple Shin-hozo (Treasure House) (唐招提寺新宝蔵)

Address: 13-46 Gojo-cho, Nara City (on the grounds of Toshodaiji Temple) Tel. (0742)33-7900

Access: 10-min. walk from Nishinokyo Sta. on Kintetsu

Hours: 8:30–17:00 **Admission:** ¥700 (including temple)

Buddhist statues, paintings and art objects, which are Important Cultural Properties of the Nara Period (710–784). The statue of Ganjin, normally housed in a separate building, is usually shown only at the time of the temple festival, from June 5 to 7.

The Museum Yamato Bunkakan (大和文華館)

Address: I-II-6 Gakuen-Minami, Nara City

Tel. (0742)45-0544

Access: 10-min. walk from Gakuen-mae Sta. on Kintetsu Nara

Line **Hours:** 10:00–17:00 (enter by 16:00)

Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* Admission: ¥620

Art objects—paintings, sculpture, ceramics, lacquerware, prints, textiles—of Japan, China, Korea and other Asian countries.

OSAKA & VICINITY

Fujita Museum of Art (藤田美術館)

Address: 10-32 Amijima-cho, Miyakojima-ku, Osaka City, Osaka Tel. (06)6351-0582

Access: Short walk from Osaka-jo-Kitazume Sta. Exit 3 on JR Tozai Line

Hours: 10:00–16:30 (early Mar.–early Jun. & mid Sep.–early Dec.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* **Admission:** ¥800

Japanese and Chinese fine arts and crafts. Many objects are related to the tea ceremony.

Open-Air Museum of Old Japanese Farm Houses (日本民家集落博物館)

Address: 1-2 Hattori Ryokuchi, Toyonaka City, Osaka Tel. (06)6862-3137

Access: 15-min. walk from Ryokuchi-koen Sta. on Kita-Osaka Kyuko Railway **Hours:** 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* &

Dec. 27–Jan. 4 **Admission:** ¥500

Old Japanese farmhouses have been reassembled and put on dis-

play in a village setting.

Mint Museum (造幣博物館)

Address: 1-1-79 Temma, Kita-ku, Osaka City, Osaka (in the grounds of the Osaka Mint Bureau) Tel. (06)6351-8509

Access: 15-min. walk from Minami-Morimachi Sta. on Subway Tanimachi Line or Sakaisuji Line, or Kyobashi Sta.

Hours: 9:00–16:45 (enter by 16:00) **Closed:** Sat., Sun., national holidays & New Year holidays

Japanese coins from the feudal days to the present times.

The National Museum of Art, Osaka (国立国際美術館) Address: 4-2-55 Nakanoshima, Kita-ku, Osaka City, Osaka

Tel. (06)6447-4680

Access: 10-min. walk from Fukushima Sta. on IR or Hanshin

Nakanoshima Line

Hours: 10:00–17:00, –19:00 (Fri.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)*, New

Line, or 5-min. walk from Watanabebashi Sta. on Keihan

Year holidays & several days for chaging exhibitions

Admission: ¥430

Contemporary paintings and other works of the East and West.

National Museum of Ethnology (国立民族学博物館)

Address: 10-1 Senri-Bampaku-Koen, Suita City, Osaka (in Expo Park) Tel. (06)6876-2151

Access: 15-min. walk from Bampaku-Kinen-Koen Sta. on Osaka Monorail **Hours:** 10:00–17:00 **Closed:** Wed. (Thu.)* & Dec. 28–Jan. 4 Admission: ¥420

Display of artifacts from Japan and other countries and booths for individual viewing of films relating to the exhibits.

The Japan Folk Crafts Museum, Osaka (大阪日本民芸

Address: 10-5 Senri-Bampaku-Koen, Suita City, Osaka (in Expo Park) Tel. (06)6877-1971

Access: 15-min. walk from Bampaku-Kinen-Koen Sta. on Osaka Monorail Hours: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Wed. & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥700

Japanese folk craft objects that have been chosen with great care

for their representativeness.

Osaka Museum of History (大阪歴史博物館)

Address: 4-1-32 Otemae, Chuo-ku, Osaka City, Osaka Tel. (06) 6946-5728

Access: Short walk from Tanimachi 4-chome Sta. on Subway Tanimachi and Chuo Line

Hours: 9:30–17:00, –20:00 (Fri.) **Closed:** Tue. (Wed.)* & 28 Dec.—4 |an **Admission:** ¥600

Materials and records connected with the history, economy, and culture of Osaka.

Osaka City Museum of Fine Arts (大阪市立美術館)

Address: 1-82 Chausuyama-cho, Tennoji-ku, Osaka City, Osaka (in Tennoji Park) Tel. (06)6771-4874

Access: 10-min. walk from Tennoji Sta. on JR Kansai Line, or Subway Midosuji or Tanimachi Line

Hours: 9:30-17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 28-Jan. 4 Admission: ¥300

Japanese, Chinese, and Korean art objects, both ancient and modern.

KOBE & VICINITY

Hakutsuru Fine Art Museum (白鶴美術館)

Address: 6-1-1 Sumiyoshi-Yamate, Higashi-Nada-ku, Kobe City, Hyogo Tel. (078)851-6001

Access: 15-min. walk from Mikage Sta. on Hankyu Line

Hours: 10:00-16:30 Closed: Mon. (Tue)*, early Dec.-early

Mar. & early Jun.—early Sep. **Admission:** ¥800

Chinese bronzes, ceramics, lacquerware, and ancient Japanese art objects.

Hyogo Prefectural Museum of Art (兵庫県立美術館)

Address: I-I-I Kaigan-dori, Wakihama, Chuo-ku, Kobe City, Hyogo Tel.(078)262-0901

Access: 10-min. walk from JR Nada Sta. or Iwaya Sta. on

Hanshin Line **Hours:** 10:00–18:00, –20:00 (Fri. & Sat. during special exhibi-

tion) Closed: Mon. (Tue.)*, Dec. 31-Jan. 1 & several days for maintenance **Admission:** ¥510

Contemporary arts of Japan and other countries. The largeset art museum in Western Japan, designed by Tadao Ando.

Kobe City Museum (神戸市立博物館)

Address: 24 Kyo-machi, Chuo-ku, Kobe City, Hyogo Tel. (078)391-0035

Access: 10-min. walk from Sannomiya Sta. on JR, Subway, Hankyu Line or Hanshin Line

Hours: 9:30-17:30 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays Admission: ¥200

Featuring the archaeology and history of Kobe. It also houses a

fine collection of 16th to 17th century Japanese paintings and art objects with Portugese and Spanish influences (Namban Art), Kohmoh or Dutch-influenced Art (17th to 19th centuries) and old maps.

Tekisui Museum of Art (滴翠美術館)

Address: 13-3 Yama-Ashiya-cho, Ashiya City, Hyogo Tel. (0797)22-2228

Access: 10-min. walk from Ashiyagawa Sta. on Hankyu Line Hours: 10:00–16:00 Closed: Mon., Jul.-early Sep. & Dec.-

early Apr. **Admission:** ¥620

Japanese art objects, collection of toys and games, tea ceremony utensils.

The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake Memorial Disaster Reduction and Human Renovation Institution (阪神・淡路大震災記念 人と防災未来センター)

Address: 1-5-2 Kaigan-dori, Wakihama, Chuo-ku, Kobe City, Hyogo Tel. (078)262-5050

Access: 10-min. walk from Iwaya Sta. on Hanshin or 20 min. by bus from JR Sannomiya Sta.

Hours: 9:30–17:30, –19:00 (Fri. & Sat.), –18:00 (Jul.–Sep.) enter I hr. before closing time **Closed:** Mon. (Tue)* & Dec. 31–Jan. I Admission: ¥600

The museum contributes to a world-wide disaster reduction by the experience of Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake. By using an audio facility, a community space, library, pictures and films, visitors can experience the historical day.

CHUGOKU

Bizen Pottery Traditional and Contemporary Art

Museum(岡山県備前陶芸美術館)

Address: 1659-6 Imbe, Bizen City, Okayama

Tel. (0869)64-1400

Access: In front of Imbe Sta. on Ako Line

Hours: 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 29–Jan. 3

Admission: ¥700

A large collection of Bizen ware by contemporary potters.

Japanese Rural Toy Museum-Gangukan (日本郷土玩具館)

Address: 1-4-16 Chuo, Kurashiki City, Okayama

Tel. (086)422-8058

Access: 15-min. walk from Kurashiki Sta. on Sanyo Line **Hours:** 9:00–17:00 (–18:30 for shop) **Closed:** Jan. 1

Admission: ¥400

Old Japanese folk toys collected from all parts of the country. The Kei Fujiwara Art Museum (藤原啓記念館)

Address: 3868 Honami, Bizen City, Okayama

Tel. (0869)67-0638

Access: 6 min. by bus from Katayama Sta. on JR Ako Line, get off at Koa-mae Bus Stop, then walk 5 min.

Hours: 10:00–16:30 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 20–Jan. 10 Admission: ¥700

Bizen Pottery made by Kei Fujiwara and old Bizen pottery.

Kurashiki Archaeological Museum (倉敷考古館)

Address: 1-3-13 Chuo, Kurashiki City, Okayama

Tel. (086)422-1542

Access: 10-min. walk from JR Kurashiki Sta.

Hours: 9:00–16:30 (Dec.–Feb.), –17:00 (Mar.–Nov.)

Closed: Mon. & Tue. (open when Mon. & Tue. fall on a national

holiday) **Admission:** ¥400

Archaeological relics unearthed in the Inland Sea districts.

Kurashiki Museum of Folkcraft (倉敷民藝館) Address: I-4-II Chuo, Kurashiki City, Okayama

Tel. (086)422-1637

Access: 15-min. walk from JR Kurashiki Sta.

Hours: 9:00–17:00 (Mar.–Nov.), –16:15 (Dec.–Feb.)

Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 29–Jan. 1 Admission: ¥700

Folkcraft objects of Japan and other countries.

Ohara Museum of Art (大原美術館)

Address: 1-1-15 Chuo, Kurashiki City, Okayama

Tel. (086)422-0005

Access: 15-min. walk from JR Kurashiki Sta.

Hours: 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (open when Mon. falls on a national holiday) & Dec. 28–Jan. I **Admission:** ¥1,300 The art museum exhibits Western paintings and sculpture of the 17th to 20th centuries, and the crafts museum displays contemporary Japanese ceramics, textiles, woodblock prints, etc.

Hiroshima Museum of Art (ひろしま美術館)

Address: 3-2 Moto-machi, Naka-ku, Hiroshima City,

Hiroshima (in Chuo Park) Tel. (082)223-2530

Access: 15 min. by bus or streetcar to Kamiyacho-Higashi Bus

Stop from Hiroshima Sta. on JR Tokaido-Sanyo Line **Hours:** 9:00–17:00 **Closed:** Dec. 29–Jan. 2

Admission: ¥1,000

Works of Impressionists and other European artists from the 19th century and also modern Japanese artists.

Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum (広島平和記念資料館) *East Building is under construction from Sep. 2014 to 2016 Spring

Address: 1-2 Nakajima-cho, Naka-ku, Hiroshima City, Hiroshima Tel. (082)241-4004

Access: 20 min. by bus to Heiwa-Kinen-Koen Bus Stop from Hiroshima Sta. **Hours:** 8:30–18:00 (Mar.–Nov.), -19:00 (Aug.), -17:00 (Dec.–Feb.) **Closed:** Dec. 29–Jan. I **Admission:** ¥50 Houses the official records of the 1945 Hiroshima atomic bombing.

Yamato Museum (Kure Maritime Museum)

(大和ミュージアム)

Address: 5-20 Takaramachi, Kure City, Hiroshima

Tel: (0823)25-3017

Access: 5-min. walk from JR Kure Sta. (which is 50-min. by train from Hiroshima Sta.) **Hours:** 9:00–18:00 **Closed:** Tue. (Wed.)* **Admission:** ¥500

The Kure, developed as a naval port from 20th century throughout World War II, is an important site in the history of Japan's marine industry.

Otsuka Museum of Art (大塚国際美術館)

Address: 65-1 Uraaza Fukuike, Tosadomari, Naruto-cho, Naruto City, Tokushima (in Naruto Park) Tel. (088)687-3737 **Access:** 15 min. by bus to Otsuka-Kokusai-Bijutsukan-mae Bus

Stop from JR Naruto Sta.

Hours: 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & early Jan.

Admission: ¥3,240

Using a special technique, ancient murals, carefully selected by 6 committees, and more than 1,000 famous Western are reprodical paintings possessed by about 190 museums in 25 countries are displayed at this museum.

The Isamu Noguchi Garden Museum Japan

(イサム・ノグチ庭園美術館)

Address: 3519 Mure, Mure-cho, Takamatsu City, Kagawa

Tel. (087)870-1500

Access: 10 min. by taxi from JR Yashima Sta.

Hours: 3 times a day 10:00, 13:00, 15:00 (reservation required) URL: www.isamunoguchi.or.jp/gamen/e_res.htm **Closed:** Mon., Wed., Fri., Sun., mid Aug. & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥2,160

Along with more than 150 carvings, the removed and reconstructed pavilion selected by Isamu Noguchi, Isamu's house and designed carving garden create a huge "earthlike carving" work.

Hagi Uragami Museum (山口県立萩美術館・浦上記念館)

Address: 586-1 Hiyako, Hagi City, Yamaguchi

Tel. (0838)24-2400

Access: 15-min. walk from Hagi Bus Center

Hours: 9:00-17:00 Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holi-

days **Admisson:** ¥300

Variety of "Ukiyoe" art works and ceramic art work given by Toshiro Uragami who was born and grew up in Hagi Town are exhibited.

Adachi Museum of Art (足立美術館)

Address: 320 Furukawa-cho, Yasugi City, Shimane

Tel. (0854)28-7111

Access: Free shuttle bus service from and to JR Yasugi Sta. (20-min. ride) **Hours:** 9:00–17:30 (Apr. –Sep.), –17:00 (Oct. –Mar.)

Admission: ¥2,300

Works of Taikan Yokoyama and Japanese paintings produced after Meiji Period. Known also for its superb Japanese gardens.

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Fukuoka Art Museum (福岡市美術館)

Address: I-6 Ohori-koen, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka City (in Ohori Park) Tel. (092)714-6051

Access: 10-min. walk from Ohori-Koen Sta. on Subway Kuko Line, or Ropponmatsu Sta. on Subway Nanakuma Line **Hours:** 9:30–17:30, –19:30 (Tue.–Sat. of Jul.–Aug.)

Closed: Mon. (Tue.)* & Dec. 28–Jan.4 Admission: ¥200 Objects once owned by the Kuroda family, the local feudal lord; the Matsunaga Collection, which is noted for its tea ceremony implements; and oil paintings from both Japan and the West.

Kyushu National Museum (九州国立博物館)

Address: 4-7-2 Ishizaka, Dazaifu City, Fukuoka

Tel. (050)5542-8600

Access: 10-min. walk from Dazaifu Sta. on Nishitetsu Line

Hours: 9:30–17:00 **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)* & New Year holidays **Admission:** ¥430

It is newest National Museum following Tokyo, Nara and Kyoto. It usually displays approximately 900 pieces of cultural assets about Asian Cultual Exchange. The Cultual Exchange rooms, the main exhibition rooms of this museum, exhibit the Japanese cultual exchange history.

Nagasaki Museum of History and Culture

(長崎歴史文化博物館)

Address: I-I-I Tateyama, Nagasaki City, Nagasaki

Tel: (095)818-8366

Access: 5-min. walk from Sakuramachi Tram Sta. or 7-min. walk from Kokaido-mae Tram Sta.

Hours: 8:30–19:00 Closed: 3rd Tue. & maintenance periods

Admission: ¥600

Nagasaki has been shaped by a history of cultural and economic exchange with other countries. The museum exhibits scale models and recreations of buildings, showing the changing face of Nagasaki through each period and revealing its important contributions to the history of Japan.

Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum (長崎原爆資料館) Address: 7-8 Hirano-machi, Nagasaki City, Nagasaki

Tel. (095)844-1231

Access: 5-min. walk from Hamaguchi-machi Bus Stop and Streetcar Stop

Hours: 8:30–17:30 (Apr. & Sep.–Mar.), -18:30 (May–Aug.), -20:00 (Aug. 7–9) **Closed:** Dec. 29–31 **Admission:** ¥200 At this museum is shown the devastation of Nagasaki immediately after the atomic bombing and the reality of the damage with

pictures and relics. In the exhibition room, a clock which stopped at 11:02, the exact time of the atomic bombing, and a picture of a boy whose entire back is burnt and other things are shown

Okinawa Prefectural Museum & Art Museum

(沖縄県立博物館・美術館)

Address: 3-1-1 Omoromachi, Naha City, Okinawa Tel. (098)941-8200

Access: 10-min. walk from Omoromachi Sta. on Monorail, or

short walk from Kenritsu Hakubutsukan-mae Bus Stop **Hours:** 9:00–18:00, –20:00 (Fri. & Sat.) **Closed:** Mon. (Tue.)*

& Dec. 29-31

Admission: ¥410 (Museum), ¥310 (Art Museum)

Art objects of the Okinawa islands including paintings, sculpture, pottery, clothing and lacquer ware.

Tourist Information Center (TIC)

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1st Fl., Shin Tokyo Bldg., 3-3-1, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0005 Tel. 03-3201-3331

Open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Closed: Jan. 1st)

http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/arrange/travel/guide/tic.html

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